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# S. 919

To require the Secretary of Energy to study the feasibility of developing commercial nuclear energy production facilities at existing Department of Energy sites.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 21, 2001

Mr. THURMOND introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3       **SECTION 1. STUDY TO DETERMINE FEASIBILITY OF DEVEL-**  
4                               **OPING COMMERCIAL NUCLEAR ENERGY PRO-**  
5                               **DUCTION FACILITIES AT EXISTING DEPART-**  
6                               **MENT OF ENERGY SITES.**

7       (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Energy shall  
8       conduct a study to determine the feasibility of developing  
9       commercial nuclear energy production facilities at Depart-

1 ment of Energy sites in existence on the date of enactment  
2 of this Act, including—

3 (1) options for how and where nuclear power  
4 plants can be developed on existing Department of  
5 Energy sites;

6 (2) estimates on cost savings to the Federal  
7 Government that may be realized by locating new  
8 nuclear power plants on Federal sites;

9 (3) the feasibility of incorporating new tech-  
10 nology into nuclear power plants located on Federal  
11 sites;

12 (4) potential improvements in the licensing and  
13 safety oversight procedures of nuclear power plants  
14 located on Federal sites;

15 (5) an assessment of the effects of nuclear  
16 waste management policies and projects as a result  
17 of locating nuclear power plants located on Federal  
18 sites; and

19 (6) any other factors that the Secretary believes  
20 would be relevant in making the determination.

21 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the date  
22 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to  
23 Congress a report describing the results of the study under  
24 subsection (a).

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